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## Youth Talk Theme "Be A Christian" "Be Expendable"

## Stirring Challenge To Cadets Assembled

A congregation of more than 1,-100 persons filled the First Presbyterian Church Sunday evening to hear the Rev. Theodore F. Adams D.D., pastor of the First Baptist Church, Richmond, deliver an address, and the musical program of the Virginia Military Institute and Mary Baldwin College Glee

### **AMA** Well Represented

Augusta was well represented with more than fifty cadets in attendance. Col. and Mrs. Roller headed the procession which included the officers and cabinet of the YMCA and cadets and members of the cadet YMCA, etc.

Preceding the service in the church a buffet supper was served to the young people and students in the Education Building.

The occasion was a Student program in connection with the church's observance of the World Missions season, and the congregation included young people from many churches throughout Lexington Presbytery, students from local schools and colleges, young people from the community, as well as scores of adults.

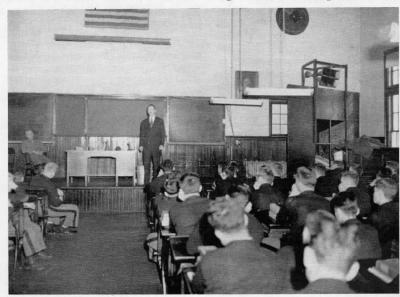
Speaking on the subject "Expendable Christians," Dr. Adams brought a challenging message in which he explained that the word expendable was given us during the war. "We have learned," he said that "in any armed conflict the commanding officer has many expendable men, munitions, machines, etc. He is willing to expend a certain number of men or tanks or guns or planes in order to attain or hold an objective.

### God Seeks Expendables

"Just so," Dr. Adams continued, "God is seeking men whom he can count as expendable in our day and generation to advance His Kingdom. Jesus was expendable and was used by God to bring the promise of new life and hope to the world. Through the years there have been others who have been expendable including Paul, Stephen, and the martyrs, and many of our missionaries.

Throwing out a challenge to his listeners, Dr. Adams concluded his address with the thought that "In this day and age the church of Christ needs many more expendable young men and women whom God can use to stand against unrighteousness, low standards of life, and the social evils of our day. To share with Christ as an expendable Christian is to find the way of life that He promised to those who take up their cross and follow Him."

## Actions Not Excuses Urges Noted Speaker



Mr. Robert C. Mildram Addresses Cadet Corps

## Augusta Camera Club Enters National High

The 1950 National High School Photographic Awards has been set up in terms of pictures which are, essentially, yearbook pictures. You're eligible if you're a regularly enrolled student attending daily any public, private, or parochial high school in the United

### Any Picture Eligible

Enter any picture made by you, without professional photographic help, since May 1949. You need have done the developing, printing, or enlarging. Pictures should be black-and-white, unretouched, from single negatives, unmounted, and, if enlarged, no larger than 7 by 7 inches.

Pictures may have been or may be used in your school publications, but not otherwise-not in other commercial contests, for example. Enter as many pictures as you please and as often as you please up till April 14. Entries will not be returned.

Do not send the negatives, but be sure to have them, in case they are called for. Also, know who the people are who show up clearly in your pictures; the sponsors may need them to get permission to use the pictures.

The prizes this year are very large and you have lots of chances to win so bring your entries to 310 and get in the contest today. Also if you have any informal shots pertaining to the school and think they are good enough bring them in and we will try to put them in the "Recall".

## "Alibis", Subject Of Mildram Talks School Photo Contest

Recently, prior to the departure of the AMA delegation to the Natural Bridge YMCA Preparatory Conference, the entire cadet corps assembled in the Big Room to hear Robert C. Mildram give a talk on a worthy subject: "Alibis". He began his talk with the ques-

tion: "Have you ever gotten into some trouble that you did not give an "alibi" as a means of getting out of the situation" Naturally all present agreed that this happened quite frequently.

He told of the football player on a leading high school team who was absent one day from practice and gave as his reason-a coldand then the next day-his finger was cut-and the third day-work to do at home-finally when the matter was investigated it was discovered that he had arthritis and was afraid to tell onyone lest he lose hi sposition on the team. The matter was taken care of and he regained his place.

### "Adam Blamed Eve"

"Adam blamed Eve for his trouble and in turn Eve blamed the serpent." With the beginning of the first sin, the worst of all sins came and was the cause of all future sins—alibis.

He gave an excellent example of the way we could do things and not go looking for alibis to keep out of doing them. Two American boys who visited foreign concentration camps where they found "young boys and girls" living in squalor but they did not give alibis. They lived for the day when they could have the opportunity of coming to a free land Immediately upon their return to

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## Memorial Parade Held In Honor Of The Late Lt. Col. W. S. Robinson

On the afternoon of February 12, the corps of cadets marched in review on the parade grounds, dedicating Sunday Parade in memory of the late Colonel W. S. Robinson, who has departed four years ago. Colonel Robinson, a graduate of V.M.I., was later stationed over in the Philippine Islands, during World War I, and became a faculty member of the Augusta Military Academy, after he was discharged. His stay at the Academy was over 38 years, in which he proved to be an outstanding professor of mathematics, as well as a man of character. Although he is no longer with us, the cadets who knew him, will never forget their beloved friend.

## **YMCA Conference Names Pilley** Vice-President of '50 Session

other

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After a close vote by the delegates to the 1950 Young Men's Christian Association Natural Bridge Preparatory School Conference, Cadet Lieutenant Franklin Pilley of the Augusta Military Academy was chosen vice-president of the 1951 Conference to be held at Natural Bridge, Virginia in February of 1951. Pilley made his first debut for election to office when he presented a talk on the subject "Is Communism a Threat To World Peace?" which he presented at the morning conference on Saturday.

## "D" Company Cops First Honors In BN. Exercise Day

Not long ago the corps of the Augusta Military Academy had a very interesting and educational program under the direction of Colonel W. C. Louisell and Colonel H. D. Deane. The program consisted of the following: spelling match, reading, general knowledge, word definitions, manual of arms and foot movements, saber undress and dress against Each company had several time. contestants in each event and the competition became very stiff between individuals as well as between companies. To amazement of everyone including "D" Company the smallest boys in the battalion piled up the highest score. The total scores for the companies are the following: "D" Company 27½, "C" Company 16½, Band 13½, "B" Company 13, "A" Company 11, and "Hq" Company 81/2. In the close spelling contest Pearson won after barely edging out Stivers and Starnes. Billy Hill walked away with the reading honors which was judged by Capt. Hart, Mrs. Davis, and Lt. Savege. ments Lopez decided to look around and found that he had won and he did a fine job. Bill Paxton took first honors in the sabre drill after a fast finish with Pelland. In the fast dress contest Sandridge won on his neatness as well as his rapid time. We are sorry Col. Roller could not be there and hope that we will have another one real soon. The cadets did their best and everyone had a fine time.

## Cotillion Clubs Offers Barn Fete

This year the Cotillion Club is presenting an informal dance that is the first of its kind at the Academy; they are presenting a barn dance with all the accessories.

Many of the cadets have been saying that they didn't enjoy the dances here because they felt too stiff in their uniforms, but here is your chance, boys. You may wear anything you desire from a bright flannel shirt and dungarees to full dress with brass and dyke, and there will be prizes given to the couple with the most original

### Gym In New Set-up

You won't know the gym when you enter because it will be fixed up with hay, corn stalks and the other various items which might be found in a barn. Of course there will be an appropriate hill billy band to furnish the music. To show that he enjoys the simple things in life, Congressional candidate Timberlake will be featured as one of the callers.

There is a big hay ride planned after the dance; so everybody come and have a good time.

Remember the club has gone to a great deal of trouble to secure this for the corps. Even if you don't know how to barn dance come on down and learn.

We will guarantee that if you come and take part in all the activities you will be dead tired, but you will have had the best time of

His answer to the question as to whether Communism was a

Y.M.C.A. threat to world Vice-Pres. peace or not was a definite yes. He stated that "the principles of communism are repugnant to American principles of democracy." He pointed out five reasons commun-

ism threatened the peace of the world: "Communist action is based upon false doctrine xxxx Communism feeds on economic and social unrest xxxx it gains its ends by all manner of subterfuge xxxx In practice it means the end of freedom xxxx and independent governments." Pilley asserted his firm belief that "democratic principles and practices must be preserved to prevent its rise and growth."

### Conference Schedule Outstanding

All of the delegates attending the convention registered at the Hotel Natural Bridge between four and six on Friday afternoon. The Augusta delegation, consisting of sixteen cadets, occupied several cottages adjacent to the hotal. Following room assignments was a banquet in the ball room of the hotel. At 7:15, the Staunton Military Academy conducted a worship service in the auditorium. This was followed by an informative address by Major John C. Gleason, executive secretary of the Southern regional office of the World Student Service Fund. After the talk, the motion picture (Continued on page 4)

## White Swan Scene Of Officers' Hep

The annual officer's dance was held at the White Swan, Saturday, January 3. The setting was decorated very nicely and gave a French appearance. Records were played since this was an informal an dedications were announced by "Pop" Matthes. The refreshments were many and everyone danced and enjoyed themselves. A nice warm fire brightened up the place and gave a very comfortable air to the dance.

## AMA Welcomes New Boys

Augusta Military Academy has the honor to welcome five new boys to her ranks after Christ-These boys are: Edmund Armbruster, Arlington, Virginia; Thomas Hamilton, Birmingham, Alabama; James Crist, Lynchburg, Virginia; Edward Albaugh, Arlington, Virginia; Albert Haywood, Wilmington, Delaware.

The Bayonet Staff along with the whole cadet corps welcomes you, and we all hope you will enjoy your stay at Augusta.

## Robert Bradford Tops Honor Roll

During the month of January, Bob Bradford carried off academic

honors by coming in first in the monthly Honor Roll with the remarkable average of 98.19.

What makes this honor all the more remarkable is the fact that Bob is tied up with as many activities as a ca-



Bradford

det could possibly be in this school. As Cadet Adjutant he has the guard rosters plus the many little extras that go with this job. (Continued on page 4)

## **Publication Staff To Attend** SIPA Meeting-Contest At W-L

The 21st annual convention of the Southern Interscholastic Press Association will be held at Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Virginia on April 28 and This meeting is the contest and criticism service for school publications. These publications include yearbooks, newspapers, and magazines.

### Talks On Journalism

The convention will include several addresses and discussions on school journalism. Round table discussions will be held on planning and copy preparation and ways of cutting yearbook expenses, editorial contents and themes, portrait and group photography and other problems facing student editor and journalists.

Recently the names of the winners of prizes of the last convention were announced. They were "The Shipmate" of Hickory, N. C. in first place for the news story division and "The Chatterbox" of Danville, Virginia in first place for feature division.

The A.M.A. Recall and the Bayonet will be entered in the coming contest. In past years we have been very successful at this convention and hope to be more successful this year. The Recall will have to be sent before March 18 and the Bayonet before April 1. We feel that our publications are good as any anywhere and must have a good chance for getting a prize.

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## He Could Take It

Abraham Lincoln, our sixteenth President of the United States, could take it. His life was rather drab, but he succeeded. This pic-

The first scene of this picture takes place in a crossroads store in the Middle West, where Abraham Lincoln, a young man of 22, learned for the first time that failure is easier than success-he had lost every penny of his seven years' savings.

The scene shifts. After two years of struggle, Lincoln tried again; but again he failed. A partner had drunk up all the profits within two years. For the second time, Lincoln saw his savings swept away, but this time he faced an indebtedness which he knew would crush him. In desperation, Lincoln and his partner agreed to terms of sale that proved to be disastrous. At the end of the year the purchaser sold the entire stock of merchandise, gathered up the receipts and took French leave. Lincoln's partner then died, forcing Lincoln to shoulder the entire loss.

This was a bitter experience, but Lincoln would not give in to the hardships. On his thirty-ninth birthday, after years of hard labor he paid the last dollar of his debt.

Lincoln then was dealt the most severe blow of his life—one that he never forgot. His first and only true love died suddenly. Later, he said that his heart followed her to the grave.

This was too much for Lincoln. He was down to the verge of in-

sanity so he went to a sanitarium.

Ten years later, some of his friends secured his election to Congress. But again he failed. After he had worried through two short sessions of Congress, he was refused a return to Washington.

Nine years later, he was placed in direct line for the nomination of senator to the United States Senate. Until one hour before, the state nominating convention had conceded his victory. But at the last moment he was forced to step aside. Again he failed.

Two years after his last defeat, Lincoln succeeded. He was not

elected to the United States Senate for he became the President of the United States.

### Is Communism A Threat to World Peace?

Communist governments at the present time extend over one-fifth of the world's inhabited area. Since the Revolution of 1917 established communism in Russia, the Soviet Union has been the center of interest for believers in communism everywhere. Throughout the world, Communist agents, directed from Moscow, work ceaselessly for world-wide victory which, in basic Communist theory, is considered inevitable. Within very recent years, several formerly free governments have fallen under Communist domination through infiltration, aided by Soviet demonstrations of military force, actual or threatened. For citizens of the United States, the facts about Communist theory and action have special importance because our country above all other nations, is at once an obstacle to communism and a target for it. We are an obstacle to Communist action because our whole way of life proves the falsity of the Communist claim that people will find happiness and prosperity only when the world has become Communist. We are a target because our economic and industrial strength is built upon free institutions, which Communist theory condemns as unworkable and doomed to failure.

The long-range aim of the Communist Party of the United States is to get control of the existing government and to set up instead, a dictatorship by the Communist Party, with the avowed ultimate aim of making the United States part of a federation of Soviet Republics dominated by the Soviet Union. Four reasons why Communism is a threat to world peace is:

1. Communist action is based on false doctrines.

Communism feeds on economic and social unrest.

It gains its ends by all manners of subterfuge.

4. In practice it means the end of freedom and independent governments.

My answer to "Is Communism a threat to world peace" is an emphatic "Yes".

## Among our Faculty

## Mech. Drawing Interesting And Profitable, Reporter Learns

The other day I happened to be down in the lower academic hall and noticed that Colonel Lousell's class room door was open. I decided to go in and find out something about what all that compliequipment was. Colonel Louisell was not busy so he invit-

ed me to come in.

The first room I entered was the mechanical drawing room. He explained that the long elevated smooth top tables were for mechanical drawing students. Then he showed me the drawing boards of each student and some of the equipment. Of course I wanted to know just what the purpose of mechanical drawing is. He explained that it is often referred to as the language of industry. The reading of drawings is as important as the making of them. The use of pictorial methods of production illustrations emphasize the importance of making mind pictures visible as an aid to reading mechanical drawings.
While mechanical drawing is a

necessary part of the education of

an engineer and the scientist it is

also an important part of the lan-

guage education of every well in-

formed person.

words the appearance and details of a machine, a bridge, or a building, we find it met only difficult but in most cases impossible. Here we must use another language, the universal graphic language of drawing.

Drawings Tell Stories A written description of a new

piece of furniture would have to be very long to tell all about it and we then might be misunderstood. A picture would serve the purpose much better but the picture would not show the exact methods of construction. It would give only the external picture without telling what was inside. It would be impossible to construct an airplane or a locomotive from a word description or a pic-

### **Exactness A Necessity**

Fortunately another form of description has been developed by which the exact shape of every detail of any structure may be defined accurately and quickly. This method consists of the making of a series of news arrangements according to a definite system with figures added to tell the size. This is known as mechanical drawing, and it forms an important part of

## The A.M.A. Inquiring Keporters

For this issue, we asked some of the members of the graduating class, "What college are you going to, what will be your major, and why did you pick the certain college?" As could be expected, the answers were varied. Here are some of the typical answers.

Cadet Hamilton—"I am going to Auburn to major in Physical Education. My choice of this college is that it is the most popular college in the state of Alabama. It also offers the best athletic scholarships in the Southeastern Con-

Cadet Finklehoffe-"I am planning on entering Yale to major in Pre-med. In my opinion, it is one of the finest schools in the coun-

Cadet Matthes-"I hope to attend either Wake Forest or Duke. I will major in Business Administration, but my real reason for attending one of these schools is that I hope to get a break in organized baseball. If I should not make the grade, I could fall back on my education; but my first love is baseball."

Cadet Malamut-"I will attend Cornell next year, majoring in Hotel Administration. My choice of this school is that it offers the best school of Hotel Administration in the country. My brother attended Cornell also."

Cadet Stanley-"The University of Virginia is for me. It offers a good school of Industrial Engineering, and I hope to meet a lot of nice people there.

Cadet Evans-"I hope to attend the University of Missouri so that I can major in Journalism. I pick this school for two reasons-one academic-one social. My academic reason is that it offers the best Journalism course in the country; my social reason-Stevens College.

Cadet Hunter-"I am going to the University of North Carolina. My major will be decided later. I pick this school because it is near home and I know a lot of people

Cadet Edmunds-"I plan to attend the University of Virginia to major in Medicine. I think it is a good school, both academically and otherwise."

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## Blind Flying Taught

When Colonel Louisell finished telling me all about mechanical drawing he invited me into another room, the areonautics laboratory. I was greatly amazed by the wonderful display of equipment in this room. Around the walls were pictures of planes, maps, and numerous charts. On the table were many types of motors and engines. At the rear of the room was what looked to me like a child toy plane but Colonel Louisell said that it is called a Link Trainer and is used in teaching blind flying. He told me that aeronautics, as taught at Augusta is divided into several definite

- 1. Principles of air craft structures which includes the history of human flight and the principal types of aircraft and their important parts.
- 2. Aerodynamics which is a study of the force produced by relative motion between the air and any particular object.
- 3. Meteorology the science of the atmosphere.
  - 4. Air Navigation.
- Aircraft Engines.
- 6. The Regulatons of Civic Aviation.

When he finished it was very late so I thanked him and rushed out to S.R.C. If you ever have any time when you don't have something to do and Colonel Louisell isn't busy I recommend a visit to these two places or better still, plan to take one or both

## READ AND SEE

"Life", "Flair", and "The New York Times" seldom praise a novel wholeheartedly, and so when "A Long Day's Dying" was received so enthusiastically we decided to try it. Written by Laurence Beuchner, who teaches in a Northern Prep School, this novel is the so called fluidly reodernistic type. Briefly it is the story of six people and the effect they have on each other. The descriptions are perfect and actually read like poetry, but the novel seems to have absolutely no point and is slow in saying anything.

### The New Mag-"Flair"

Unconventional is certainly the word to describe the new maga-"Flair", which is published monthly and sells for fifty cents. The first issue appeared the first of January and was definitely a knockout. It is in the experimental stage at the present and judging from the first issue, no one had any idea about being subtle. Three different forms of printing are used, color plastered throughout and there seems to be absolutely no coherence to the maga-Maybe after a year or so, we'll know what to expect, but even if the magazine is not good right now, it's worth the price just to be surprised for a change. You may not like it, but it is different.

### Strombolie A Flop

"Strombolie" Rosselini Bergman hit the screens of New York last week and the critics lambasted it on every score. Banned in a great number of cities, there seems to be no excuse for

the narrow mindedness of the censors, for the picture is, for the most part, above reproach and is not even considered a story by the majority of the people. Yet at the same time a real family movie "Stars in My Crown" has been playing to large crowds of devout men and women everywhere. It is the story of a minister in a western town who takes religion to the people instead of having the crowd come to him. Joel McCrea is the gun toting preacher and Darryl Hickman, his son.

"The Sands of Iwo Jima", John Wayne's latest movie, is no great shakes as a story, but is a fairly good document about Marine fighting in the Pacific on Tarawa and Iwo Jima.

John Agar is a stilted role and John Wayne's is rather enigmatic, but the lines given him are strictly Hollywood and not service connected. The official Marine films of fighting are excellent, however. You'll enjoy this movie if you like

## Military Meanderings

Captain Young's "B" Company is at present the leading ribbon winner for the Sunday Pa-Of the 16 parades held since the inauguration of the new system of awards, "B" Company has 6 times earned the honor of being selected the best company at Sunday Parade. Three more awards will permit the company to permanently display a gold streamer for its guidon. Pressing hot on "B" Company's trail is Co.'s "A" and "C" with four wins each.

Weather permitting, the weekly parade on Sunday, March 5 will be conducted by the senior noncommissioned officers of the AMA Cadet First Sergeant Odenwaelder will act as Battalion Commander with Cadet First Sergeant Click as Battalion Adjutant. The companies and platoons will be commanded by their respective senior non-commissioned officers. It is planned to publicize this NCO parade in the local papers prior to the formation.

Each time Cadet Captain Mather-Smith is spotted approaching the PMS&T office with a certain determined look on his face the military staff is glimpsed escaping under desks and through the windows. They know that Fred is out to get something for his band. First he wanted snappy gold shoulder cords for his boys, however the present blue ones had been ordered so that went by the boards, for this year at least. Next he desired a distinctive shoulder patch for his lads. After much deliberation the present band patch was designed and placed ino production Now Mather-Smith has successfully pleaded a guidon for the band. Fred claims that whereby the band is the best looking unit on the field each Sunday they should have a try for the weekly ribbon. A win by the band

would necessitate some place to put the streamer, thus the guidon. Present thought is for a blue guidon mounting a white lyre, lettered AMA above, BAND below. When word got around that the Roller Rifles should soon sport shakos. Nothing would do but for Mather-Smith to complete plans to field his own unit in same. Also in the offing is a chest full of braid to decorate the Drum Major comes the spring parades. Apparently Mather-Smith's creed is that if you don't ask, you'll never get.

What with everyone having either something distinctive to wear or the possibility of a streamer to wear, Cadet Kohlhausen recently cornered the PMS&T on the stoop and gave him 48 hours to produce something extra for his aide, this being Kohlhausen of course. Net result, the aides of the Principal and PMS&T will soon blossom forth at Sunday Parade with a distinctive article of uniform all their own.

The attention of all cadets is invited to Sergeant Dew's display of medals, pins and certificates which are awarded by the National Rifle Association to hopeful marksmen. Also to be added are three U.S. Army medals available for awards to ROTC riflemen. These awards are not restricted to members of the AMA rifle team, they are open to all cadets. Contact Sergeant Dews if you are in-

### Publication Staff

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The A.M.A. Editors are very interested in the S.I.P.A. and we hope to be able to send several delegates to this convention. We hope they will be able to gain helpful knowledge for the betterment of future publications.

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## **AMA Whips MMA**

The Augusta riflemen took a close match from the Massanutten Military Academy team here Monday as the outcome of the match was in doubt until the last man fired.

Firing in the final slot was Madden who collected a 264 against Basalo of MMA who got a 255. It was the deciding round, after both teams had fired almost point for point. It was Augusta's third win against two losses.

Leading the Augusta team was team Captain Hill who was high with 272.

The five leading scorers composing each team and their scores are as follows:

Augusta

Augu	Sta
Hill	272
Madden	264
Arias	248
Gill	254
Bonney	255
Total	1273
Massan	utten
Basalo	255
Lander	
Spogen	
Eason	247
Corey	245
Total	1248
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## Willard Sets Record As AMA Drops VMI Rats

The Augusta Military cagers downed a stubborn VMI Frosh team on the Augusta court by the margin of a 42-38 count.

Before he fouled out midway in the fourth period, Willard, Augusta guard, was hitting continuously for the host five, accounting for 16 points. Working from the guard slot he was on the playmaking end of the fast moving game, while Haywood, playing only his second game, tossed in eleven for team runner-up honors.

Augusta led all the way, going ahead in the first period with the Frosh never taking over the big end of the score. When the two teams left the floor at halftime the score was 26-23 for Augusta.

VMI built its point getting attack around its six foot three inch forward, Brown, who was an Augusta cager last year. Big Brown hit eight times from the floor with ease and made good two out of the four trips awarded him to the foul stripe for 18 points, the game's high. Justis with but eight points was one of the hottest articles on the visiting squad.

AMA	G.	r.	1.	
Haywood, f	4	3-7	11	
Wiseman, f	. 1	1-1	3	
Angle, f	. 0	0-0	0	
Nolan, c	. 2	2-4	7	
Smyton, g	. 0	0-1	1	
Willard, f	. 8	0-1	16	
Matthews, g	. 2	1-5	5	
Totals	17	7-19	42	
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The University of Virginia freshman wrestling team defeated Augusta Military Academy, 14-11.

The summary: 121-Lee (V) decisioned Crawford, 9-1.

(V) 128—Blakely decisioned Gutierrez, 6-0.

136-Core A) decisioned McElroy, 3-2.

145—Flingloff (V) decisioned Suthard, 5-2. 155-Fitzgerald (A) drew with

Constantino, 5-5. 165—Brooke (A) decisioned

Harris, 8-1. 175-Anderson (A) decisioned Showalter 13-7.

 $Heavyweight - Turner \ (V) \ deci$ sioned Odenwaelder, 2-0.

## Richmond YMCA Sinks Augusta Blue Tankmen

Despite two firsts by Roger Messick, who has scored ten points in each meet and is undefeated. Augusta Military Academy lost another swimming match Saturday to the Richmond Y.M.C.A., 44-31.

Poey and Angle also won firsts for Augusta.

The results of the meet are as follows

50-yard freestyle: Messick (A), Hantsch (A), Holland (R). Time, 27 seconds.

100 yard breaststroke: Hull (R), (A), James (R). Time, Poev 1:14,2.

200 yard freestyle: James (R), Trillo (A), Wilkins (R). Time,

100 yard backstroke: Sheppardson (R), Magill (R), Ward (A). Time, 1:19.8.

100 yard freestyle: Messick (A), Knapp (R), West (R). Time,

yard individual medley: Poey (A), Sheppardson (R), Cole-

man (R). Time, 2:27. Angle (A), Huey (R), Diving Crockett (A).

150 yard medley relay: Magill, Hull, James (R). Time, 1:33.

200 yard freestyle relay: West, Coleman, Knapp. Time, James.

## **AMA Marksmen** Tie Harrisonburg

The match with the Harrisonburg Rifle Club ended in a deadlock which is quite unusual for a rifle match, and it is believed that it is the first of its kind to be fired in the state. The tie score was 1303 to 1303.

The individual scores are as fol-

Harrisonburg Rifle Club	
Mr. Jopson	274
Mr. Heatwole	270
Mr. Dickson	262
Mr. Smith	249
Mr. Shull	248
Augusta	
Cadet Hill	277
Cadet Gill	266
Cadet Madden	259
Cadet Shappee	254
Cadet Bonney	247

## **AMA Foilsmen Top UNC Fencers**

The strong AMA fencers defeated the Freshman foilsmen of North Carolina in a meet held in the Memorial Gymnasium Friday evening by the score of  $15\frac{1}{2}-11\frac{1}{2}$ .

Augusta swept the foil weapon 7-2, dropped the saber 5-4 and tied in the epee  $4\frac{1}{2} - 4\frac{1}{2}$ .

Results:

Foil, AMA 39 North Carolina 26. Paxton (A) defeated Evans (NC) 5-2; Rudolph (A) defeated McKey (NC) 5-4; Click (A) defeated Hagner (NC) 5-2; Paxton (A) defeated McKey (NC) 5-1; Rudolph (A) defeated Hagner (NC) 5-0; Click (A) defeated Evans (NC) 2-5; Paxton (A) defeated Wagner (NC) 5-3; Rudolph (A) lost to Evans (NC) 5-2; Click (A) defeated McKey (NC) 5-4.

Saber, AMA 36 Carolina 33-

Parnell (A) lost to Putman (NC) 5-3; Jenvey (A) defeated Youngblood (NC) 5-2; Cohen (A) lost to Bennett (NC) 5-2; Jenvey (A) lost to Putman (NC) 5-4; Parnell (A) defeated Youngblood (NC) 5-4; Cohen (A) lost to Putman (NC) 5-4: Parnell (A) defeated Bennett (NC) 5-0; Grace (A) lost to Youngblood (NC) 5-3; Jenvey (A) defeated Bennett (NC) 5-2.

Epee, Ama 16 North Carolina 17-Russell (A) lost to Gooding (NC) 3-2; Hill (A) lost to Forest (NC) 3-1; Young (A) defeated Sanders (NC) 3-2; Russell (A) defeated Forest (NC) 3-1; Hill (A) defeated Saunders (NC) 3-0; Young (A) lost to Gooding (NC) 3-0; Glover (A) defeated Saunders (NC) 3-0; Thomas (A) lost to Gooding (NC) 3-0; Duffey (A) tied Forest (NC) 3-3.

## Hill High Man As UVa Edges Blue Matmen AMA Rally Falls Short As GMS Wins

It was not until the last five minutes of the ball game that Augusta really got hot, but the damage already had been done. The visitors held a 13-point advantage with five minutes and 20 seconds still left on the scorer's clock and despite some heroic efforts by Willard, Haywood, Wiseman, and Smyton, the local prep school cagers couldn't quite make the grade.

Augusta had cut the margin to nine points with slightly less than two minutes of playing time remaining and to three with 41 seconds to go, ,but Greenbrier managed to control the ball the rest of the way.

Then Greenbrier ran up a 24-15 count, but Willard and Matthews sliced that margin to three points, 24-21, when the two clubs left the floor at halftime.

Again it was Greenbrier drawing first blood as the second half opened and during the third quarter Greenbrier upped its advantage by two points, claiming a 35-30 advantage as the final period got under way.

During the first five minutes of that last chapter the visitors found the range more often and ran up a 49-36 margin. It was then that Augusta showed its first real drive of the ball game as it broke through often to steal the ball, break up passes, and snare rebounds off the backboards to rack up points. It sliced the lead to seven points at 42-49 before Middleton got loose under the basket and laid in two points.

Haywood connected with a push shot, Smyton a tipin, and Willard a long set, but their efforts came too late to do much other than cut down the visitors' margin of victory.

Willard grabbed scoring honors in his team's losing effort with 20 points. Wilkerson's 13 was high for the West Virginians.

The lineups:

Augusta (48)	G.	F.	T.
Haywood, f	3	1-2	7
Nolan, ,f	3	2-5	8
Angle, c	0	0-0	0
Matthews, c	0	1-1	_
Smyton, c	1	0-0	2
Willard, g	8	4-8	20
Wiseman, g	5	0-0	10
Totals	20	8-16	48

## **Inspired Five** Down HMA

Augusta Military Academy's cagers flattened Hargrave Military's five here Tuesday night, 48-26, as Miles Willard set the scoring pace with 14 markers.

In complete control all the way Augusta romped to its lopsided win without once relinguishing the lead it manned from the outset of the contest.

The halftime score stood at 29-11. Holt for Hargrave, took runnerup scoring honors for the evening with eleven points. For Augusta the second high scorers were Wiseman and Haywood, each with

During the halftime intermission skits were staged for the benefit of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis' March of Dimes solicitation effort.

Box score:

Augusta (48)	G.	F.	Т.
Willard, g	7	0-0	14
Wiseman, g	4	1-1	9
Smyton, f	0	0-1	0
Haywood, f	4	1-2	9
Ellman, f	0	0-0	0
Nolan, c	3	0-1	6
Angle, c	0	0-0	0
Matthews, c	2	0-2	4
Tassotti, c	1	0-0	2
Wine, g	1	0-0	2
Caylor, g	1	0-1	2
Totals	23	2-8	48

## **FUMA Downed In Overtime Tilt**

## Blue Hoopsters Squash Virginia's Frosh "5"

Augusta Military Academy cagers led all the way in their game with the University of Virginia Freshmen, and in the last four minutes of the game froze the ball to go on to win 39-34.

Miles Willard, Augusta guard shared high scoring honors with Virginia center Jack Caldwell, who played for Augusta last year, as both boys hit for 21 markers.

Augusta led at the end of the first quarter 16-6, ,but had that lead whittled down to 21-18 when the halftime whistle sounded. They jumped back to a five point lead 32-27 beginning the final quarter.

After six minutes had gone by the timers clock the Augusta boys froze the ball successfully for the next four minutes to win by five points.

Augusta (39)	G.	F.	1.
Haywood, f	2	1-1	5
Wiseman, f	1	1-3	3
Nolan, c	1	3-7	5
Angle, c	1	1-2	3
Willard, g	1	7-12	21
Matthews, g	1	0-1	2
Totals	7	13-26	39
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## Sabermen Trip John Hopkins

AMA's fencing team defeated the freshmen team of John Hopkins University for its second straight win in the same number of days.

The final score was  $16\frac{1}{2}$ - $10\frac{1}{2}$ . The blue and white team which carried the foil honors was 7-2; the saber, 5-4; and was tied in epee 41/2-41/2.

Foil: Rudolph (AMA) carried individual honors by taking all three of his matches with his teammates, Paxton and Click taking two of their matches. Mc-Laughlin of JHU took two of his three.

Saber: Cohen carried the AMA honors in this weapon by taking all three matches with Jenvey taking two

Epee: Young (AM) carried all three of his matches.

Results:

Foil: AMA 38 JHU 20. Paxton (A) defeated Howard (JH) 5-0.

Paxton (A) lost to McLaughlin (J) 5-2.

Rudolph (A) defeated Howard (JH) 5-0. Click (A) defeated Pederson

(JH) 5-0. Paxton (A) defeated Pederson

(JH) 5-2. Rudolph (A) defeated Pederson

(JH) 5-0. Click (A) lost to McLaughlin

(JH) 5-1. Rudolph (A) defeated McLaugh-

lin (JH) 5-4. Saber: AMA 5, JHU 4.

Parnell (A) lost to Corbidge (JH) 5-4.

Jenvey (A) lost to Bellah (JH) Cohen (A) defeated McLaugh-

Parnell (A) lost to Bellah (JH)

Jenvey (A) defeated McLaugh-

lin (JH) 5-4. Cohen (A) defeated Corbidge (JH) 5-3.

Parnell (A) lost to McLaughlin )JH) 5-2.

Jenvey (A) defeated Corbidge (JH) 5-3.

Cohen (A) defeated Bellah (JH)

Epee:

Russell (A) was tied by Bellah (JH) 3-3. Young (A) defeated Corbidge

(J-H) 3-2. Hill (A) defeated Momedy (JH)

Russell (A) lost to Corbidge (JH) 3-2.

Young (A) defeated Romedy (JH) 3-2. Hill (A) lost to Bellah (JH)

Augusta Military Academy Fort Defiance rallied for nine points in less than two minutes to tie up the ball game then went into a five-minute overtime period and defeated Fork Union Military Academy, 64-60, at Fork Union.

It was one of the most thrilling finishes seen here in several seasons. With about one minute and 50 seconds showing on the timer's clock, the local cagers held a seeming unsuromuntable 54-45 advantage.

But then the visitors got hot Miles Willard threw in three buckets and Dick Nolan stepped up to the charity line and tossed in a free shot to pull Augusta to within two points of Fork Union. With time rapidly ticking away Al Haywood stole the ball and from a reclining position on the floor tossed it to Johnny Wiseman.

The former star at Augusta County's Mt. Sidney High School swished it through the netted hoop as the game-ending buzzer sounded, knotting the count at 54-all.

In the overtime Willard connected to send the visitors ahead and they stayed on top the rest of the way.

It was a seesaw battle every minute, although Fork Union managed to pull ahead by five points, 26-21, at halftime. In the third quarter, however, Augusta moved out to a one-point advantage.

Willard threw in 21 points to stake claim to high scoring honors for the ball game. Mellinger and Peterson for Fork Union had 17 each while Wiseman of Augusta picked up 15 and Brock Matthews of AMA, 13.

## Magicians Stop Big Blue Grapplers 24-8

High's Jefferson chalked up their sixth victory in eight starts yesterday afternoon with a 24-8 triumph over Augusta Military Academy in the Jeff gyn

The Magicians won six of the nine matches and gained a draw in another to turn back the Ca-

Jim Bob Barnes and Bobby Pilcher scored the only falls for Jefferson.

115-pound-Bo Marsh (J) decisioned Crawford, 3-2.

121-pound-Jim Bob Barnes (J) pinned Gamewell, 5:52.

128-pound-Wallace Coffey (J) decisioned Gutierrez, 10-4. Cook (J) 136-pound—Sammy

decisioned Core, 3-1. 145-pound-Jim King (J) decis-

ioned Miller, 6-2. 155-pound—Constantino (AMA) decisioned Dale Harrison, 4-2.

165-pound—Bobby Pilcher (J) pinned Anderson, 6:15.

175-pound—George Press and Brooke, 1-1 draw.

Heavyweight Odenwaelder (AM A) decisioned Bobby Seal, 8-6.

## SMA Bumps AMA Sharpshooters

In a shoulder-to-shoulder match with S.M.A. last Wednesday on the S.M.A. range the Augusta sharpshooters went down into defeat before a very fine team.

The individual scores were as follows:

S.M.A.	Pr.	Kn.	St.	Ttl.
Hill, G	100	88	87	275
Luke	. 98	91	84	273
Crawford	. 98	95	79	272
Early	97	89	83	269
Caffee	98	81	77	266
Totals				1355
A.M.A.	Pr.	Kn.	St.	Ttl.
A.M.A. Hill, W		Kn. 89	St. 83	Ttl. 270
	. 98			
Hill, W	. 98 100	89	83	270
Hill, W Madden	. 98 100 93	89 92	83 73	270 265
Hill, W Madden Gill	. 98 100 93 92	89 92 85	83 73 76	270 265 254

Russell (A) lost to Romedy (JH) 3-1.

Young (A) defeated Bellah (JH) 3-1.

Hill (A) lost to Corbidge (JH)

## **Alumni News**

The glorious traditions of A.M.A. were perpetuated on Tuesday, January 24, 1950, when to the accompaniment of martial music music, echo taps and a firing squad, Lieutenant Alfred F. Odom of the Class of 1938 was laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery with four of his comrades who were shot down over Yugoslavia on April 2, 1944, on a return run from a bombing mission over northern Austria. The plane on which he was co-pilot was heavily damaged by enemy fire and crashed before reaching its home base in Italy. Six of the crew members bailed out and spent 18 months in enemy camps. Four, including Lieutenant Odom, perished in the wreck of the burning plane.

Born in Denver, Colorado, Lt. Odom was graduated from Augusta Military Academy in the Class of 1938. Thereafter he studied at the University of Virginia and prior to the outbreak of the war he transferred to George Washington University where he took courses in aviation. He obtained his private pilot's license just before Pearl Harbor and joined the Army Air Corps. He was based in Africa and took part in the Salerno battle. Following the occupation of Italy he was stationed in that country.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Margaret C. Aitcheson of Arlington, Virginia, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Odom, Mr. Odom being the Solicitor for the United States Veterans Administration, and a sister, Mrs. S. G ½ Blalock of Jacksonville, Florida, and a brother, Edward E. Odom, Jr., of Bethesda,, Maryland. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity.

## "Alibis"

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the States they went to Washington and got Congressmen to see their views and "young students" were admitted under the "DP" Act. These individuals spent their own time, money (often they had to work to make up their lack of money but they did do something and gave no alibis. They did a good job and never gave excuses. Thus drawing a moral from this story, we too can do things and keep away from alibis.

## Bradford

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Top that with the presidency of the YMCA. Last weekend he headed the AMA delegation to Natural Bridge where he took charge of a panel discussion on Communism.

Being head of the Beta Club adds further burdens. Then he acts in an advisory capacity to Cadet Publications and is a great help to the faculty advisor in this cadet activity.

Just now he is preparing himself for entrance to West Point this coming July—a job which requires all that a cadet possesses.

We offer our sincere congratulations of the Bayonet to Bob and to his family for this fine honor which he earned through diligent and hard work.

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## YMCA Conference Names Pilley

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"Odd Man Out" was shown to the assembled group.

Discussions, Social Events

The morning prayer service on Saturday was conducted by Captain J. K. Brennan, faculty president of the conference from Randolph-Macon Academy. Following breakfast, there was a song service conducted followed by a worship service held by Massanutten Military Academy. A panel discussion of the conference theme took place after this. The first speaker was from The Mercerburg Academy who spoke on the subject "How Do Communism and Socialism Compare?"; second, Woodberry Forest School on the sub-"How Does Communism Restrict Individual Freedom?"; third, Augusta Military Academy on the subject "Is Communism a Threat To World Peace?"; and fourth, Hargrave Military Academy on the subject "Can a Christian Be a Communist?"

Saturday afternoon was devoted to social functions and recreation. Visits were made to near-by Lexington and to the Natural Bridge. After a large banquet, an informal dance was held in the auditorium. Local girls and girls from the Southern Seminary attended the dance which lasted until midnight.

### **Election of Officers**

Following a prayer service by Mr. Paul N. Deering of V.P.I. in Blacksburg, breakfast was taken in the cafeteria of the hotel. The worship service was conducted by Virginia Episcopal School and was succeeded by an address by the Rev. Charles O. Kidd, pastor of the Rocky Mount Virginia Methodist Church. The election of officers followed and with the exception of the race for secretary, all required second or third votes to determine a majority.

the completion of the election, the conference was adjourned until 1951.

## Exchange Column News

Tommy Dorsey was presented by the class of '51 in a special concert at Virginia Tech.

Seventy-three prep-school students at Greenbrier made the January Honor Roll. Come on, Augusta. We can't let Greenbrier beat us out in the most important undertaking in school.

Whatever happened to our up and coming soccer team V.M.I. excels in the sport. Why don't

The Community Chest Drive at Hargrave Military Academy collected \$205.11 for the fight against infantile paralysis.

The 1949 World Series moving picture was shown to the Greenbrier Cadets last month.

A Variety Show was staged on Sunday night, January 29, at Staunton Military Academy. was strictly amateur and the acts varied. Many cadets proved themselves able musicians.

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## **Quadrangle Quips**

Many of us would like to know when the "Fearless Five" of our beloved Military Department are going to defend their honor on the field of honor, the volleyball court. It is rumored that they are delaying until they can procure some brass-knuckles, so as to hit the ball further. Major McWatters is going to get a range finder, so as to defeat all comers by "scientific volleyball", it is also rumored.

The members of our illustrious Band are certainly flattered that they are the only ones to have instruments and RIFLES (& %Ram 3/8 \* 7 & \$ % " & o ) too. To show their appreciation, they are now collecting funds to buy a cast iron life preserver.

Pete Fogle says that he will accept a commission now, as he is fully qualified to operate the Stokes mortar. If you don't believe it, just go to his room.

Certain Kaydets are trying to get Bill to install a brass rail and a television set in the PX. We also think that a big neon sign would be mighty nice. The sign could say "Floor show by Dan Jones and Herm Matthes, the 'Gold Dust Twins.'"

Well, spring is really on the way , , Mike Hrisis finally doffed his long-john BVD's; don't you remember . . . the ones with the private entrance for moths.

We understand that the boys who went on the Y.M.C.A. conference trip had a big time.

Everyone is proud of our fencteam after their success in Maryland. They all seem to have had a swell time, especially Glover at Navy. He has gone hog wild for boats, and plans to put in his 'application blank' for the Naval Academy. Also our fencers got some ideas on marching from the waiters at Navy's mess hall.

We are counting on Odenwalder's going undefeated this year, but except for his sore finger, Core says he can pin Ogie.

Everyone is pleased with the "dinner music" in the mess hall, but we are expecting Bradford to play a stirring march some mornand naturally, as a result, we'll be saying, "Bradford wuz a

Most of us would like some more of these Ava Gardner pictures, but some Kaydets who are trying to recapture the good old days want "The Gold Rush" with Charlie Chaplin.

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## Just What Is This Game of Lacrosse

Lacross is "The Aboriginal American Game." It is the oldest form of sport played in the North American continent. It is entirely American Indian in origin and was used by them not only as recreation but as a "Training School for War." Its earliest beginnings are lost in the obscurity which surrounds the early history of the Red Man.

### The Game

The official Lacross Rules describe the game as follows: "Lacross is played by two teams of ten players each. The purpose of each team is to score by causing the ball to enter the goal of its opponent and to prevent the other team from securing the ball and scoring. The ball may not be touched with the hands except by the goalkeeper when in the act of endeavoring to prevent the scoring of a goal. The ball is kept in play by being carried, thrown, or batted with the crosse, rolled, or kicked in any direction."

In describing the game of lacrosse some sportswriter has stated, "It has the dash of basketball, the crash of football, and the soulstirring action of hockey. It is the fastest game played on two feet."

First of all, each of the ten players on a lacross team has a crosse or a stick. This stick may vary from 40" to 72" in overall length and may be from 7" to 10" in width at the head. The goalkeeper has a special stick which is 12" in width. This stick is used by the player to catch and throw the ball, pick it up off the ground and knock the ball out of the stick of his opponent. With the ball in his stick the player may run towards the goal of his opponent as far as the opposing team members will allow him. He may side-step or dodge his opponent in an tempt to get a shot at the oal. By a quick start, change of pace or maneuvering his opponent into a "brush-off" situation he may cut for the goal, receive a pass from his teammate and thus get a shot at the goal.

An explanation of the game will be continued but in the meantime come on out to practice and give it a try.

The Cadets at Greenbrier are entering their girl friends early for the Queen of the Final Ball. This is synonymous to our May Queen dance.

## "J" **BARRACKS COLUMN**

Wheeler-"My sister can't get married without permission.' Rodgers-"Why not?" Wheeler-"She's a minor." Rodgers-"You mean she has to ask John L. Lewis?"

Brown-"Just like a woman"-"Sis hasn't seen her boy friend for two years and then she turns out the light."

### An Original Idea

Mrs. Davis-"You were a tidy boy not to throw your orange peel on the floor of the bus. Where did you put it?"

Joe-"Why in the pocket of the man next to me."

Chappy-"Why is it that a dog has so many friends?"

Roy-"The reason is because he wags his tail instead of his tongue."

Steven, Ned, and Billy are the sixth grade "three" Who toil and sweat and grumble And are often up a tree, Just how to solve the problem And be set free.

That they may joint the others in the recess "Jubilee."

Roommates here and roommates there But of this I do declare, Hays and Wissler, Roy and Joe Have no idea of a regular joke They squeal, fuss, laugh and fight So it's hard to tell who is right, But after all, ,boys will be boys, It wouldn't seem right without their music.

Besides A.M.A. being represented in the governor's inaugural parade at Richmond, Hargrave sent three crack platoons down to see the Capitol.

Ed Merrick, head coach at Fork Union Military Academy was named coach of the year in the prep schools of the South.

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